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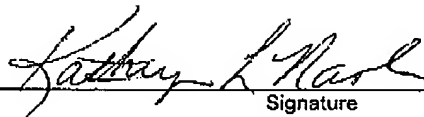
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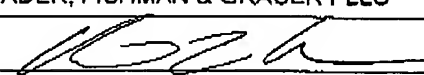
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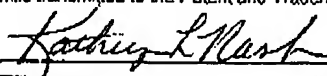
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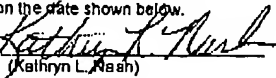
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 16, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-5 and 7-15, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.